

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Abstract:

Please amend the abstract as follows:

~~The invention relates to a~~ A ~~laser active optronic system with improved detectivity, especially an eye-safe optronic system. The system comprises a~~ has an emission channel for the emission by an emission source of a laser beam ~~illuminating which illuminates~~ a target, and a receiving channel for receiving the wave backscattered by the target. An optical switching device is positioned in the ~~receive~~ receiving channel, ~~said optical switching device receiving said to receive the~~ backscattered wave and ~~comprising~~ has an optical gain medium and pumping means for pumping ~~[[said]] the gain medium[[,]]~~ . ~~said~~ The gain medium being is absorbent at the wavelength of the laser and ~~becoming~~ becomes substantially transparent when it is pumped, ~~in such a way as~~ to allow the switching device to be actuated in the on mode or off mode respectively. ~~It further includes a~~ A control unit for controlling the pumping means, ~~allowing~~ allows the switching device to be actuated in the on mode in at least one temporal window of predetermined duration, triggered at a predetermined instant after the start of emission of the illuminating laser beam.

Figure 1A